



Mothers Against Drunk Driving

704 McKay Tower • 146 Monroe Center NW • Grand Rapids, MI 49503 • (616)456-MADD • Fax (616) 456-8760
KENT COUNTY CHAPTER

Mr. Greg Gilmore
c/o Gilmore Collection
20 Monroe Ave.
Grand Rapids, MI 49503

October 25, 2003

Mr. Gilmore,

Thank you for attending our meeting and sharing your ideas on how establishments that serve alcohol can help prevent their patrons from drunk driving. Our executive board was very impressed with your ideas and we support them. We liked all the ideas that were presented and hope to see them implemented soon. We would especially like to see the establishments that serve food and alcohol to stay open later, until 4AM. These establishments would ONLY serve NON-ALCOHOLIC beverages and food and allow dancing, as you suggested. This time allows people to have a couple of hours without ingesting alcohol and sobering up before being forced out onto the roads. We really encourage the idea of having the information of places offering rides home available to your patrons, for example Last Call Ministries. Only serving shots of alcohol until 1AM is a great idea also. There were many other ideas that you had and we thought they were great. We would like to help you in making these changes possible. We need to work together to make our roads safer and to educate our community that drinking and driving kills. Have a designated driver, or stay sober.

Thank you,



Mistie Umphrey
President, MADD Kent County